(c) and (d) As per information received from administrative Ministries, there are 222 OBCs, 546 SCs and 312 STs in the Indian Administrative Service as on 13-12-2005, 142 OBCs, 312 SCs and 160 STs in the Indian Police Service as on 1-4-2005 and 43 OBCs, 82 SCs and 48 STs in the Indian Foreign Service as on 1-4-2005.

Lok Pal Legislation

3289. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:
PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA:
SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court has asked for a status report on the long-intended Lok Pal legislation;

(b) whether the proposed Lok Pal Bill is now reads for legislative process; and

(c) if not, the reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Government is committed to bring a Bill on Lokpal. Accordingly, a Group of Ministers has been constituted to examine and make recommendations on the Lok Pal Bill.

Compassionate appointment

3290. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA:
SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of requests from dependent family members of deceased Government employees for appointments on compassionate ground are lying in various departments of Government in general and Delhi offices of DGHS and Food Corporation of India in particular;

(b) if so, the details thereof, case-wise;

(c) the policy and the details of steps being taken to accede to such requests on priority; and

(d) whether Government consider it appropriate to relax the ceiling of 5 per cent quota in such cases to provide relief to the dependents of deceased Government employees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) and (b) Compassionate appointments are considered by the respective Ministries/Departments based on the extant policy guidelines on the subject. Information on details of pending requests received by the various Ministries/Departments is not centrally maintained.

(c) Under the extent policy of the Government, compassionate appointments are to be made by the Administrative Departments in deserving cases, upto a maximum of 5% of direct recruitment vacancies of Group 'C' an 'D' categories of posts to be filled in a year. A request for compassionate appointment can be kept under consideration for a maximum period of 3 years.

(d) At present, there is no such proposal under consideration.

Supreme Court's ruling on regularization of daily wage staff

3291. SHRI BASHISTHA NARAIN SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a ruling of the Hon'ble Supreme court recently that the staff employed by Government organizations/autonomous bodies/ PSUs on contract basis/daily wages cannot be regularized without appearing in tests/exams designed for the posts;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the subsequent action taken by Government to give effect to the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court;

(d) whether the Chief Secretaries of States/Union Territories etc. have been informed of this ruling; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) No such ruling has been brought to the notice of Department of Personnel and Training.

(b) to (e) Do not arise in view of (a) above.